

Rear Admiral William G. Kelly

Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Personnel Service Center



Rear Admiral William G. Kelly, a 1987 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy, assumed the duties as Commander, Personnel Service Center (PSC) in May of 2015, where he leads the execution of human resource policy for the entire Coast Guard active duty and reserve workforce.

Prior to arriving at PSC, RDML Kelly served as the Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Recruit Training Center Cape May; the home of the Coast Guard's sole accession source for enlisted members and one of the largest operational bases in the Service. Under his Command, he led significant upgrades to the recruit training curriulum that enhanced the operational readiness and professionalism of over 20% of today's enlisted Coast Guard members. Additionally, he championed quality of life improvements to the base infrastructure that provided staff and instructors with a modernized Training Center.



RDML Kelly earned his Master's Degree in Instructional Systems Design from Florida State University and a Certificate in Human

Resource Management. He has extensive experience in personnel development as the Director of the Coast Guard's Leadership Development Center in New London, CT and he also served as the School Chief for Officer Candidate School. For his work in providing distributed leadership training across the Service, RDML Kelly was awarded the Federal Government Distance Learning Association Diamond Award for Leadership in Distance Learning. While serving in Coast Guard Headquarters Office of Training and Performance, he led significant improvements to personnel policy which enhanced the performance of Coast Guard Surfman, crews of the Buoy Tender fleet, and had lasting impact on the overall training and development for the entire Service's workforce.

RDML Kelly is a Cutterman with over ten years of service at sea, including two command tours in CCG SENECA and CGC MONOMOY. As Executive Officer in CGC SPENCER, he prepared and successfully led the crew for deployment with the U.S. Navy's 6th Fleet in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Additionally, CGC SPENCER stood the watch protecting the ports of New York and Boston in the days following the attacks of September 11th.

RDML Kelly's major awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (4), the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (6), the Coast Guard Achievement Medal and the permanent Cutterman's Pin.